

Architectural / Historical Inventory
Fitchburg

Area Survey Form A Monument Park Area

- 1 610 Main St.
- 2 658 Main St.
- 3 621 Main St.
- 4 14 Wallace Ave.
- 5 50 Grove St.
- 6 Wallace Ave.
- 7 84 Elm St.
- 8 569 Main St.
- 9 533 Main St.
- 10 16 Hartwell St.
- 11 18, 20, 22 Hartwell St.
- 12 574, 588 Main St.
- 13 564 Main St.
- 14 536, 540 Main St.



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Location Fitchburg

Address 610 Main Street

Name Fitchburg Public Library

Present use Library

Present owner City of Fitchburg

Description

1931 - Youth Library
1937 - Wallace Library

Source Fitchburg Public Library

Style Contemporary

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Architect Carl Koch & Assoc.

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less _____ Over one acre 45,000 ^φ
215' on Main St.

Approximate frontage 170' on Newton Place

Approximate distance of building from street

15' from curb

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7. Original owner (if known) Same

Original use Same

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates None

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u> </u>	Conservation	<u> </u>	Recreation	<u> </u>
Agricultural	<u> </u>	Education	<u>X</u>	Religion	<u> </u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u> </u>	Science/ invention	<u> </u>
The Arts	<u> </u>	Industry	<u> </u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u> </u>
Commerce	<u> </u>	Military	<u> </u>	Transportation	<u> </u>
Communication	<u>X</u>	Political	<u> </u>		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

At a town meeting held on April 11, 1859 it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,851 for the establishment of a Free Town Library. On December 1, 1859 the library opened for the delivery of books in a small room in the Town Hall.

In 1885, Rodney Wallace gave the City a building to contain the library and an art collection at a site he owned on Main Street at Newton Place. At the time it was built, this brick building was praised as one of the finest and most beautiful in the City. In 1899, in this building, the library opened up one of the first children's rooms in the country. The children's rooms were replaced by a new Youth Library addition in 1950.

In 1964, George R. Wallace, Jr., gave the City \$500,000 which with Federal funds replaced the library building given by his grandfather as well as the adjacent Baptist Church (1854) with the present building. This opened in 1967 and was dedicated and named for George R. Wallace, Jr. and his wife Alice G. Wallace.

The present library is of a high quality of design and construction. It fits in well with its surroundings.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Emerson, William A., Fitchburg, Mass., Past and Present, Fitchburg, Blanchard and Brown, 1897.

Kirkpatrick, Doris, The City and the River, Fitchburg Historical Society, 1971.

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1. Town Fitchburg

Address 655 Main Street

Pay Club

Present use Private Club

Present owner Fay Club

Description

Date 1888

Source Sentinel

Date 19th Century American

Style Historian Gothic

Architect

EDWARD M. JONES

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) Stable-Brick

Other features

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less 36,000 Over one acre 7

Approximate frontage 102'

Approximate distance of building from street

50' from Curb

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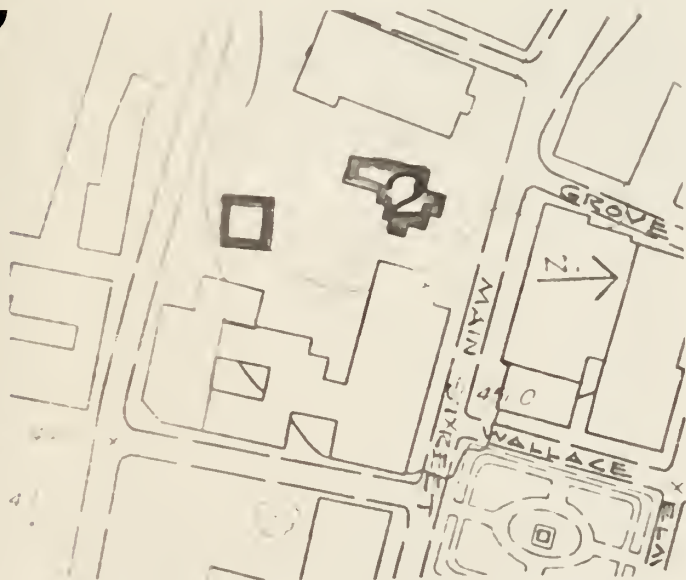
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4. Map.

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other buildings. Indicate north.



7. Original owner (if known) George F. Fay

Original use Home

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Given to Park Club in 1911

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u> </u>	Conservation	<u> </u>	Recreation	<u> </u>
Agricultural	<u> </u>	Education	<u> </u>	Religion	<u> </u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u> </u>	Science/ invention	<u> </u>
The Arts	<u> </u>	Industry	<u>X</u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u>X</u>
Commerce	<u> </u>	Military	<u> </u>	Transportation	<u> </u>
Communication	<u> </u>	Political	<u> </u>		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This was built for the home of George F. Fay. In 1852 George Fay was appointed telegraph operator at the Fitchburg Depot. Later he became a member of the firm of Crocker Burbank and Co., Assoc., and through investments in Massachusetts railroads amassed a fortune. In 1883 he built a Victorian Gothic home on Main Street on the site of the house where Dr. Alfred Miller and before that where Rev. Calvin Lincoln had lived. This house was moved to the N.W. corner of Green and Snow Streets. In 1884, he, along with others, helped establish Burbank Hospital. When he died in 1895 his daughter, Lucy Fay, inherited the \$100,000 estate and several million dollars. With these funds Lucy helped Fitchburg working girls by providing room and board at several homes belonging to the Helping Hand Society for Working Girls. In 1908, she donated a new Georgian Style, four-story brick structure, Hastings Hall to replace the earlier homes. At the age of 45, Lucy married Claude Griffith and moved to California and gave her home to the Park Club on the condition the name be changed to Fay Club. Her father had been a charter member of the club. The club agreed to this and still uses the home. The stable was converted into a gymnasium.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Emerson, William A., Fitchburg, Mass., Past and Present. Fitchburg, Blanchard and Brown, 1887.

Kirkpatrick, Doris, The City and the River, Fitchburg Historical Society, 1971.

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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



wn Fitchburg

dress 111 Main Street

me Trinitarian Church

esent use Hardware Store

esent owner Central Hardware
Aubuchon Realty

escription _____

ate 1881

Source The City and the River

yle 19th Century America
recessed to 20th Century American

Architect Commercial

Exterior wall fabric Brick now covered
with aluminum

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features _____

Altered Several times Date 1881

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less 5,600 Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 51' on Main Street
109' on Wallace Ave.

Approximate distance of building from street
20' from Curb - Main Street
12' from Curb - Wallace Avenue

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7. Original owner (if known) Trinitarian Church

Original use Church until 1871

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Post Office 1872-1901

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u> </u>	Conservation	<u> </u>	Recreation	<u> </u>
Agricultural	<u> </u>	Education	<u> </u>	Religion	<u>X</u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u> </u>	Science/ invention	<u> </u>
The Arts	<u> </u>	Industry	<u> </u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u>X</u>
Commerce	<u> </u>	Military	<u> </u>	Transportation	<u> </u>
Communication	<u> </u>	Political	<u> </u>		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The Trinitarian Church was erected in 1844. It was founded by a group of Fitchburg anti-slavery sympathizers led by Benjamin Snow, Jr., Abel Thurston, and Alpheus Kimball, acting according to their code of right and the Constitution of the United States. This building is historic in that it marks an important era in the history of our Nation and City. This Church was established for the enunciation of principles. It was built to show forth Humanity. The church attracted many abolitionist speakers including Fredrick Douglass, the eminent Black; Lucy Stone; and George Thomson, an Englishman and member of Parliament who left his native land to labor in behalf of the slaves. In 1863, Benjamin Snow purchased an 800 pound bell for the church. This was cast at the B. & O. foundry in Cincinnati in 1856. It had been used on the Plains Plantation of B.D. Beaven of Mississippi to call his 125 slaves to labor. On the death of Mr. Beaven, it was sent to New Orleans to be cast into Confederate cannon, where it was captured by General Butler, confiscated and sent north. Mr. Snow placed it in the belfry of the church, stipulating that it should remain silent until it could peal forth freedom for the slaves. The church was used by the congregation until 1871, slavery no longer the motive that united them. In November 1871, the building was sold to John M. Carpenter and used for several years thereafter as the Post Office. It was then used by Central Hardware and has been totally remodeled.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Emerson, William A., Fitchburg, Mass., Past and Present. Fitchburg, Blanchard and Brown, 1887.

Kirkpatrick, Doris, The City and the River, Fitchburg Historical Society, 1971.

Fitchburg Historical Society Proceedings, Vol. 5, "Historical Sketch of the Third Congregational Trinitarian Church of Fitchburg" by Miss Martha D. Tolman, and Vol. 2, "The Post-Offices and Post Masters of Fitchburg" by Frederick Currier, Fitchburg 1914 and 1895.

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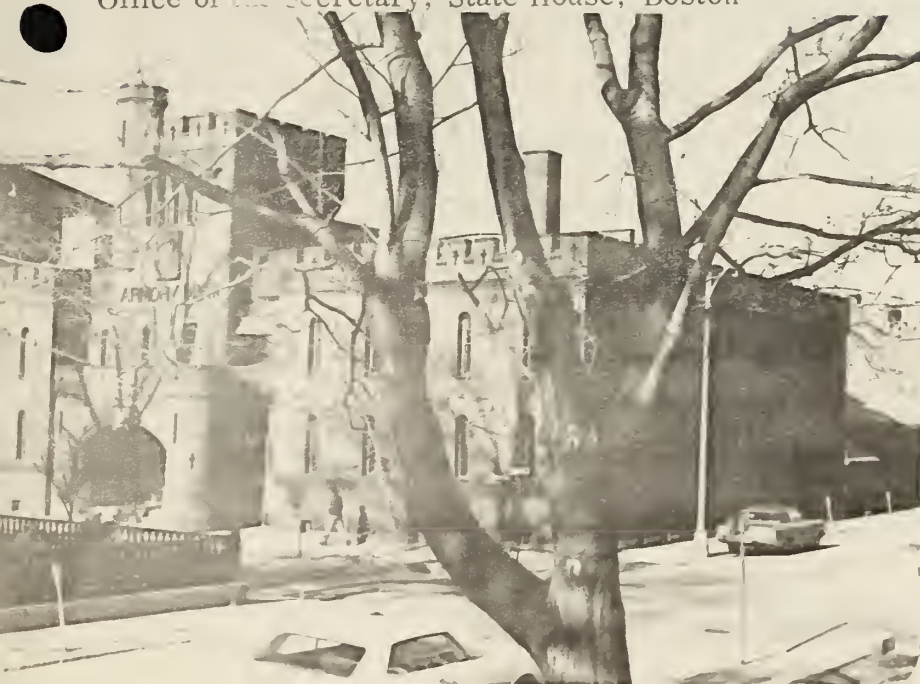
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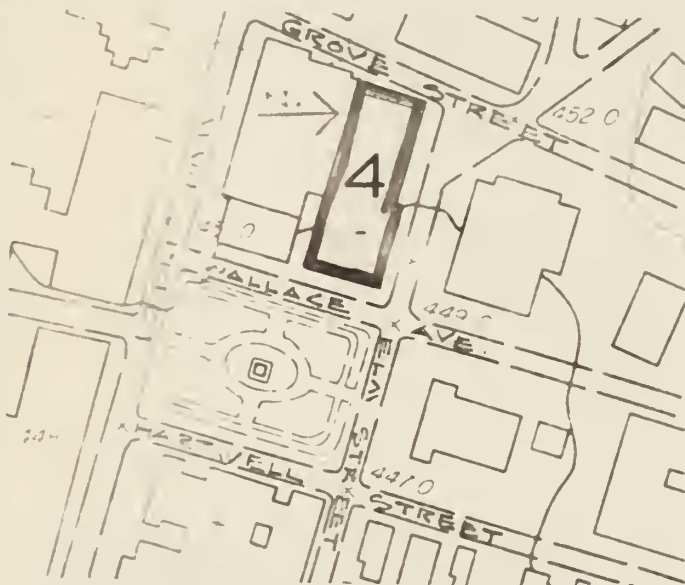
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



wn Fitchburg

dress 14 Wallace Avenue

me Armory

resent use Vacant

esent owner City of Fitchburg

scription

te 1891

'Source Fitchburg Sentinel Romantic

19th Century Victorian

yle American Romantic

Architect ROBERT P. WATTS
OLIVER W. CUTLER ARCHTS

Source: PLAQUE IN

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered Addition Date 1921

Moved 1921 Date

5. Lot size

One acre or less 18,400 Over one acre Ø

Approximate frontage 88' on Wallace Ave.

215 on Elm Street

93' on Grove St.

Approximate distance of building from street

10' from Curb

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

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7. Original owner (if known) State of Massachusetts

Original use Armory

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Armory until 1974. At present vacant.

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u> </u>	Conservation	<u> </u>	Recreation	<u> </u>
Agricultural	<u> </u>	Education	<u> </u>	Religion	<u> </u>
Architectural	<u> X </u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u> </u>	Science/ invention	<u> </u>
The Arts	<u> </u>	Industry	<u> </u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u> </u>
Commerce	<u> </u>	Military	<u> X </u>	Transportation	<u> </u>
Communication	<u> </u>	Political	<u> </u>		
Community development	<u> X </u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The building is an excellent example of American architecture of the period in which it was built.

The Armory originally furnished quarters for Companies B and D, Sixth Regiment, with rooms for prospective regimental headquarters. It was well adapted for its purpose. It was built under the provisions of Ch. 384, Acts of 1888, at a cost of about \$60,000, and was occupied December 21, 1891. The headhouse was originally 7'-" x 43' and the drill-shed was 60' by 111'. It served as an Armory until 1974.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Fitchburg Daily Sentinel - Souvenir Edition, June, 1891. p. 45.

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other buildings. Indicate north.



1. Town Fitchburg

Address 51 Grove Street

Fitchburg Historical Society

present use Historical Society

present owner Fitchburg Historical Society

Description

Date 1891

Source Fitchburg Historical Society Proceedings

style Georgian Revival

architect J. M. Francis and Sons

Exterior wall fabric Brick & Limestone

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less 5,900 Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 85'

Approximate distance of building from street

25' from Curb

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

Organization Fitchburg Historical Society

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7. Original owner (if known) Fitchburg Historical Society

Original use Same as present

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	<u>X</u>	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/	_____	Science/	_____
The Arts	<u>X</u>	settlement	_____	Invention	_____
Commerce	_____	Industry	_____	Social/	_____
Communication	_____	Military	_____	Humanitarian	_____
Community development	<u>X</u>	Political	_____	Transportation	_____

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The building was designed by a local, talented architect. It was built to house the Society's collection of artifacts, their library, and to provide a meeting room. The society was founded by Mr. James F.D. Garfield in 1892. Mr. Garfield was publisher of the Sentinel; president of Garfield and Proctor, Coal Dealers; president of the Worcester North Savings Institution; member of the school board; and trustee of the public library. He called together a group of his friends. They formed the society and adopted the motto "To Preserve and Transmit" and at once proceeded to preserve. Members set to work collecting material for historical papers which made up the bulk of five volumes of "Proceedings." They also copied and printed old town records. Originally, the members met in homes or the City Hall. Mr. Garfield was anxious for the society to have its own building and he gave land on Grove Street for this. Funds were raised by subscription and the present Fitchburg Historical Society building was built in 1911. The society was instrumental in having the city erect three memorial monuments at historical locations; one on Pearl Street near the site of the first settlement of the David Page garrison; a second on Cassin Street where Fitchburg's Minutemen rendezvoused on April 19, 1775; and a third at the site of the John Fitch garrison on Ashby, at one time within the limits of Fitchburg.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Fitchburg Historical Society Proceedings, Vol. 5, Fitchburg, 1914

Kirkpatrick, Doris, The City and the River, Fitchburg Historical Society, 1971

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1. Town Fitchburg

Address Wallace Avenue

Post Office

Present use Vacant

Present owner U.S. Government

Description

Year 1890

Source City Directory

Style Neo-Classic

Architect

Exterior wall fabric Limestone

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered Addition Date About 1930

Moved Date

3. Lot size

One acre or less 37,400 Over one acre 203' on Wallace Ave.

Approximate frontage 200' on Elm Street
184' on Grove Street

Approximate distance of building from street
25' from curb - Wallace Ave. & Elm St.
50' from curb - Grove Street

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

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4. Map
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7. Original owner (if known) U.S.

Original use Post Office

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	<u>X</u>	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The Post Office shows the continued development of placing important civic buildings around Monument Park. By the time the Post Office was built this area was well established as a proper setting for a new post office building.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

City Directory, 1904

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1. Town Fitchburg

84
Address Elm Street

Present use Worcester County Superior Court

Present use County Superior Court

Present owner Worcester County

Description

Date 1871

Source The City and the River

Style American Mansard Style

Architect

2. Map.

in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric Granite

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less 32,655 Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 140' - Elm Street
230' - Hartwell Street & Wallace Avenue

Approximate distance of building from street

40' from Curb

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7. Original owner (if known) Same

Original use Same

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	<u>X</u>		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

While the plans for Monument Park were being made by the City, the county decided to build its new court house at the rear of the proposed park. It was completed in 1871 at a cost of \$125,000. The elegant building added to the importance of the town center.

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10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Kirkpatrick, Doris, The City and the River, Fitchburg Historical Society, 1971, p. 324.



other buildings. Indicate north.



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1. Town Fitchburg

Address 518 Main Street

Name Christ Church

Present use Christ Church

Present owner _____

3. Description

Date 1963

Source The 100th Anniversary,
Christ Church, 1963

Style Gothic Revival

Architect Richard Upjohn

Exterior wall fabric Granite

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Several additions 1892, 1911,
Altered and alterations Date 1920, 1929, 1958

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size

One acre or less 28,000 Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 140' - Main & Elm Sts.
200' - Hartwell &

Approximate distance of building from street
30' from Main Street Curb

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

Organization City Planning Dept.

Date 14 March 1975

7. Original owner (if known) Same

Original use Same

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	<u>X</u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This building was designed by one of the Nation's most noted architects of the period, Richard Upjohn. It was later altered and added onto by his son, Hobart.

The Parish of Christ Church was incorporated in 1863. In 1864 plans in preparation for the erection of a Church building were made. The Honorable Alvah Crocker was elected Chairman of the Building Committee and also donated the land, next to the proposed Monument Park. The house standing on the lot belonging to Dr. Levi Pillsbury was moved to the corner of River and Sheldon Streets. On 22 April 1868, the Church was consecrated. Many additions have been added.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Currier, Frederic, "History of Christ Church," Christ Church Coll.
UPJOHN, EVERARD M., RICHARD UPJOHN, ARCHITECT
AND CHURCHMAN, DA CAPO PRESS, N.Y. 1968

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Finchburg

SS 555 Main Street

Worcester County National Bank

ent use Bank

ent owner Worcester County National Bank

ription

1894

ource Carved in the stonework

Victorian

itect HENRY M. FRANCIS

Exterior wall fabric Brick & Granite

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered Pitched Roof and
floors re- Date

Moved Date

5. Lot size

One acre or less 7,000 Over one acre

Approximate frontage 70' - Main Street
100' - Fox Street

Approximate distance of building from street
20' - from curb on Main Street
6' - from curb on Fox Street

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

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4. Map. Sketch of the building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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7. Original owner (if known) YMCA

Original use YMCA

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	<u>X</u>	(
Agricultural	_____	Education	<u>X</u>	Religion	<u>X</u>	
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____	(
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____	
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____	
Communication	_____	Political	_____			
Community development	<u>X</u>					

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The YMCA is an excellent example of architecture of its period.

The YMCA moved into their new building in 1894. It was well adapted and equipped for work in all lines and was a force to the city. Educationally, and in its gymnasium work achieved especially great results. The building was originally 5 stories, (two were later removed) and included a boy's reading room, an association hall, a gymnasium and bowling alleys.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Fitchburg, Mass. Pictorial Souvenir, 1901, p.9.

"FITCHBURG OF TO-DAY" SENTINEL, 1894, p.23.



Fitchburg

16 Hartwell Street

None

Residential/Office

The M.T.H. Corp.

70 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA
Approx. 1880

c. 1886

Style, On 1887

Sansorn Map, City Directory

Queen Anne, Victorian

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Architect Henry M. Francis

Source: Plans with C. Kimball Francis
Exterior wall fabric Brick/Stone Roof/
Sand Stone Trim

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features

Altered No Date

Moved No Date

5. Lot size

3492 sq. ft.

One acre or less Over one acre

50 ft. on Hartwell St
Approximate frontage 70 ft. on Elm St.

Approximate distance of building from street

15 ft. on Hartwell Street

20 ft. on Elm Street

6. Recorded by Frank M. Garretson

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7. Original owner (if known) E.N. Choate

Original use Residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Residence w/shops or office

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The house is a substantial structure of brick. The exterior has not been altered. It is a good example of 1870's/1880's Victorian Architecture and has many Queen Anne style elements such as its composition, bays, and porches.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

1887 Sanborn Map of Fitchburg available at the Fitchburg Public Library.

Plans in possession of C. Kimball Francis, Lunenburg, Mass.

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1. Town Fitchburg

Address 18, 20, 22 Hartwell St.

Name None

Present use Tenement

Present owner The N.T.N. Corp.
170 Merrimack St., Lowell, Mass.

3. Description

Date c. 1890

SE on 1887 Sanborn Map
Source appears on 1892 Sanborn Map

Style Victorian

Architect Henry M. Francis

Source: Plans with C. Kimball Francis
Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features _____

Altered No Date _____

Moved No Date _____

5. Lot size

3603 sq.ft.

One acre or less _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 50 ft.

Approximate distance of building from street

15 feet

6. Recorded by Frank M. Garretson

Organization Fitchburg Planning Office

Date 24 November 1976

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7. Original owner (if known) E.N. Choate, on Plans

Original use Apartments

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/	_____	Science/	_____
The Arts	_____	settlement	_____	invention	_____
Commerce	_____	Industry	_____	Social	_____
Communication	_____	Military	_____	humanitarian	_____
Community development	_____	Political	_____	Transportation	_____

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

A good example of an 1890's three-decker, tenement. It is solidly constructed of brick and has some interesting architectural details such as the stair hall window and brackets and canopy over the front doors.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

1887 and 1892 Sanborn maps. Available at the Fitchburg Public Library.

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Town Fitchburg

Address 55 - 180 Main Street

Use

present use Commercial, Economy Print Shop, Inc., Worcester
Services, with runners in Fitchburg

present owner Master Harold and

Description

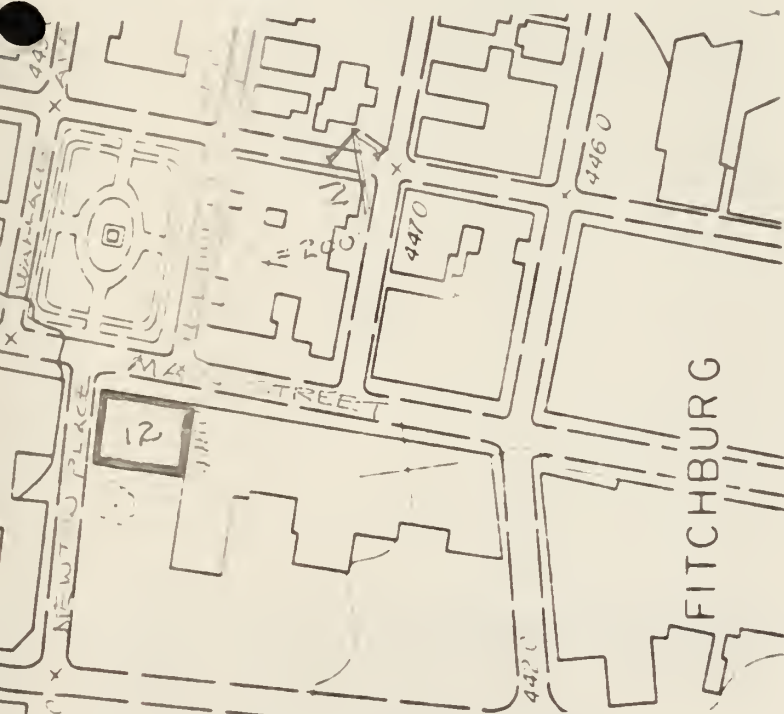
Condition

Source

Title

Architect

4. Map. Sketch of building
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric brick, Alum., Glass

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features Four older

Altered Date c. 1950

Moved Date

5. Lot size

One acre or less 1,700 sq ft Over one acre

Approximate frontage 100' on Main St.

100' on Newton Place
Approximate distance of building from street

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

Organization City Planning Office

Date February 1977

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7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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|-----------------------|-------|--------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| Aboriginal | _____ | Conservation | _____ | Recreation | _____ |
| Agricultural | _____ | Education | _____ | Religion | _____ |
| Architectural | _____ | Exploration/ | _____ | Science/ | _____ |
| The Arts | _____ | settlement | _____ | invention | _____ |
| Commerce | _____ | Industry | _____ | Social/ | _____ |
| Communication | _____ | Military | _____ | humanitarian | _____ |
| Community development | _____ | Political | _____ | Transportation | _____ |

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This building is very plain with various advertising signs. The building helps provide a sense of closure to the southern side of the Monument Park Historic District and maintains the urban facade and character of Main Street.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

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1. Town Fitchburg

2. Street Main Street

3. Building Commercial Building

4. Present use Institutional,

Post Office

5. Present owner North Worcester Co.,

Post Office

TAX Description

Source Map

Architect

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features None

Altered Yes Date 1900

Moved Yes Date 1900

5. Lot size

One acre or less 10.0 Over one acre None

Approximate frontage 120'

Approximate distance of building from street

6'

6. Recorded by Frank Garrison

Organization City Planning Office

Date February 1977



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7. Original owner (if known) _____
Original use _____
Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Sears Roebuck Store

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This building is typical of the commercial buildings of the 1920's. Its fenestration, brickwork, and stucco are interesting and attractive. This building is located at the corner of closure to the southern side of the monument. It is in the Historic District and maintains the urban character of the street.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

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1. Town Fitchburg

Address 100 Main Street

Present use Commercial

Owner's name John J. Weinstein

Present owner John J. Weinstein

Description Commercial building

Site See sketch

Source City of Fitchburg

Style Commercial

Architect See sketch

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features None

Altered Yes Date 1977

Moved Yes Date 1977

5. Lot size

One acre or less 30' x 40' Over one acre None

Approximate frontage 30'

Approximate distance of building from street 3'

6. Recorded by Frank Garretson

Organization City Planning Office

Date February 1977

in relation to nearby
other buildings. Indicate north.



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7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use Commercial

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This building is not historically important. This building
helps provide a sense of closure to the street in one of the
important Park Historic District and maintains the urban fabric
and character of Main Street.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

